

From: [Mike Mcateer](#)  
To: [Eric](#), [Greg](#), [Delgado, Eric](#), [Bernier, Roberta](#)  
Subject: Fwd: Facility Assistance Request - Arkema Crosby update 8-29-17 at 1056  
Date: Tuesday, August 29, 2017 1:19:07 PM

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Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Marquis, James" <[james.marquis@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:james.marquis@fema.dhs.gov)>  
**Date:** August 29, 2017 at 1:12:07 PM CDT  
**To:** Mike Mcateer <[mcateer.mike@epa.gov](mailto:mcateer.mike@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Facility Assistance Request.- Arkema Crosby update 8-29-17 at 1056

Mike,

Material list as below.

V/r  
James W. Marquis | Emergency Services Branch Director | National Incident Management Assistance Team - West | 202.384.5597 | [james.marquis@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:james.marquis@fema.dhs.gov)  
Currently deployed to Texas as Deputy ESB for FEMA-4332-DR-TX Hurricane Harvey

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**From:** "Otten, Edwin" <[Edwin.Otten@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:Edwin.Otten@hq.dhs.gov)>  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2017 at 12:57:26 PM  
**To:** "Marquis, James" <[james.marquis@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:james.marquis@fema.dhs.gov)>  
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Edwin "Lee" Otten  
Protective Security Advisor, South Texas  
(512) 937-0599

Sent from mobile phone

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**From:** Shedd, Steven  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 29, 2017 1:21:40 PM  
**To:** Otten, Edwin  
**Cc:** IP Region & Ops  
**Subject:** FW: Facility Assistance Request.- Arkema Crosby update 8-29-17 at 1056

As discussed. All facility personnel have been evacuated from the site.

POC info  
Site contact: Plant Manager, Leslie Comardelle, on site is 504-450-7265.

*Steve Shedd*

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**From:** Ryder, Roxanne  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 29, 2017 10:57 AM  
**To:** Perceful, Shawn <[shawn.a.perceful@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:shawn.a.perceful@hq.dhs.gov)>; Shedd, Steven <[Steven.Shedd@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:Steven.Shedd@hq.dhs.gov)>; Gilbreath, Paul (Nathan) <[paul.gilbreath@HQ.DHS.GOV](mailto:paul.gilbreath@HQ.DHS.GOV)>  
**Subject:** FW: Facility Assistance Request.- Arkema Crosby update 8-29-17 at 1056  
**Importance:** High

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**From:** Legros, Jesse  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 29, 2017 10:54 AM  
**To:** Ryder, Roxanne <[Roxanne.Ryder@HQ.DHS.GOV](mailto:Roxanne.Ryder@HQ.DHS.GOV)>  
**Subject:** RE: Facility Assistance Request.

Roxanne,  
Organic peroxide: 38,000 lbs. per trailer and 8 trailers (refrigerated) and Approximately 1 million lbs. "Ambient" organic peroxide.  
Chlorine: 3 100lb cylinders  
SO2: 6000 lbs.

Site contact: Plant Manager, Leslie Comardelle, on site is 504-450-7265.  
Mark Heldt, Director of Manufacturing (he's in Pennsylvania) Cell 610-299-0926.

New problem: One of the trailers is starting to float. See attached picture. That building is the one that stores all of the ambient organic peroxide. The facility is currently on the phone with the Harris County OEM discussing the situation.

The facility is also requesting 10,000lbs of dry ice to help with the cooling.

Thanks,

Jesse (Jay) LeGros Jr.  
Chemical Security Inspector  
Field Operations Branch  
Infrastructure Security Compliance Division  
Department of Homeland Security  
Houston Field Office  
Cell: 202-302-4428

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**From:** Ryder, Roxanne  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 29, 2017 9:31 AM  
**To:** Legros, Jesse  
**Subject:** RE: Facility Assistance Request.  
**Importance:** High

Also onsite quantity

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**From:** Ryder, Roxanne  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 29, 2017 9:30 AM  
**To:** Legros, Jesse <[Jesse.Legros@HQ.DHS.GOV](mailto:Jesse.Legros@HQ.DHS.GOV)>  
**Subject:** RE: Facility Assistance Request.

Jay,

Any ideas how big the tank is holding the chemical

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**From:** Legros, Jesse  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 29, 2017 9:04 AM  
**To:** Ryder, Roxanne <[Roxanne.Ryder@HQ.DHS.GOV](mailto:Roxanne.Ryder@HQ.DHS.GOV)>

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**Subject:** Facility Assistance Request.

Roxanne,

Well the situation has hit the news this morning. Mr. Lolli advised that the facility has been working with Harris County OEM, Crosby Fire Dept., PSA's, etc.. The fire department did send a boat last night to the site to assess the situation. Nothing was done at that time. One of the ride out crew did decide to return home with the fire department.

The facility is still assessing the situation as 3 of their reefer trucks with organic peroxide are "about to go". The site is trying to determine the overall consequence of the situation. They are trying to determine if the worst case scenario would be just a local event (the site) or if it could affect a larger area.

I'll let you know if I find out anything more.

<http://www.chron.com/neighborhood/humble/news/article/Reports-of-chemical-plant-emergency-in-Crosby-12123269.php>

Thanks,

Jesse (Jay) LeGros Jr.  
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